

ABSTRACT

A data communication system is provided which permits of
communication between a deployed implantable medical device (IMD) and a
computing resource capable of storing and distributing patient and device data.
A deployed IMD may be polled by a programmer device external to the host
patient, and data may be transmitted to the programmer by wireless
communication. This data may be transmitted to a central computer for
storage and distribution. The data may be distributed to business system
computers affiliated or connected to the central computer, for example. The
data may also be distributed to third parties for invoicing inventory, and
supply consideration.